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CIA Representation at Overseas Conferences

1. Two overseas conferences are scheduled as indicated below, which afford opportunities for CIA personnel to meet with U. S. representatives in the field to discuss problems of common concern, namely:

a. The State Department Conference at Bangkok, 21 through 25 June 1948; the agenda for which includes discussion of common area problems and trends such as Communist activities in SEA, effect and repercussions of Burma's emergence as an independent State, influence of labor unions, effect and influence on SEA of China and India, particularly through activities of minorities.

b. The Military Attaché Conference at Frankfort, 2 June through 7 June 1948; the agenda for which is similar to that of the 1947 conference.

2. It is requested that CIA be authorized to represent CIA at the above mentioned conferences provided that satisfactory arrangements can be made with the Departments of State and Army respectively.

3. If this request is approved it is planned to send []

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[] to the Bangkok Conference and [] to the Frankfort Conference.

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